

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency
Washington, DC 20250

Notice CRP-535

For: State and County Offices

State Report of Projected Acreage Enrolled Through December 31, 2007

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

The 2002 Farm Bill provided statutory authority to enroll up to 39.2 million acres under CRP through December 31, 2007. Over 36 million acres are enrolled under CRP. The Administration supports reaching full enrollment of environmentally-sensitive acres. FSA has targeted enrollments of environment-sensitive acres through a number of programs and initiatives that include:

- Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program CREP Agreements
- Farmable Wetlands Program (FWP)
- Wetland Restoration Initiative (CP23)
- Wetland Restoration, Non-floodplain Initiative (CP23A)
- Bottomland Wetland Tree Initiative (CP31)
- Upland Bird Initiative (CP33)
- Duck Nesting Habitat Initiative (CP37).

Note: Acres enrolled under Emergency Forestry CRP do **not** count toward the CRP enrollment authority.

Acreage allocated but is unlikely to be enrolled by the end of the current Farm Bill reduces the ability of the Department to address significant environmental issues through CRP. FSA continues to support enrollment efforts under the existing conservation programs and initiatives; however, an adjustment of current allocated acres may be necessary to achieve environmental goals.

Disposal Date	Distribution
December 1, 2006	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices and NRCS State Offices

1 Overview (Continued)

B Purpose

This notice provides States Offices:

- instructions to report projected acreage enrollments for each allocation through calendar year 2007
- a web site for State offices to submit their report to CEPD
- the requirement that sufficient justification shall be submitted in support of projected enrollment goals through December 31, 2007
- the **October 13, 2006**, deadline to submit a report to CEPD
- the requirement to include the number of acres released to CEPD for each program and initiative
- the requirement that a consensus must be reached with CREP partners of likely enrollments through 2007, before submitting a report for each project.

Notes: For CREP projects that have already reached their enrollment goal and for those CRP initiatives for which a State received no acreage allocation, a negative report is **required**.

For a CREP proposal an/or agreement submitted in writing to the National Office but not yet approved and/or a signup started, **no** report is required; however, a consensus with CREP partners shall be negotiated and achieved of a reasonable projected enrollment goal and a revised draft proposal and/or agreement submitted, as applicable, to CEPD.

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2 Report Instructions and Processing

A State Offices

State Offices shall:

- consult with applicable County Office staff before developing acreage projections
- consult with NRCS, State agencies, wildlife, and environmental groups
- ensure that reports are submitted to CEPD by **October 13, 2006**
- provide the contents of this notice to NRCS State Office
- provide the contents of this notice to applicable CREP partners
- coordinate a discussion of projected CREP enrollments with CREP partners
- submit a report to CEPD using the format provided at **www.dc.ffasintranet.usda.gov/dafp/cepdsto.htm**
- submit to STC for review and approval.

B Processing Reports

The State Office shall:

- report their estimated future enrollments for various practices using the Intranet
- access and complete CRP Projected Enrollments Screen according to the following table.

Step	Action
1	Access the report site at http://intranet.fsa.usda.gov/crpstorpt/AcreageAllocations/stateselection.htm .
2	Click the applicable State from the displayed map.
3	For each practice, enter: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Estimated Acres Enrolled by 12/31/07 (this is an estimate of future enrollment in acres for the practice by the State Office)• State Plan to Meet Commitment (this entry will provide an explanation of how the State Office plans to meet the commitment in its estimate)• Acres Released (this entry is the number of acres to be removed from the State allocation and returned to the National Office).
4	When all entries have been completed, CLICK "Submit".

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2 Report Instructions and Processing (Continued)

B Processing Reports (Continued)

This is an example of the format that State Offices will use to record their acreages.

CRP Acreage Allocations - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address: <http://intranet.fsa.usda.gov/crpstorpt/AcreageAllocations/MN.asp>

Conservation

CRP Projected Enrollments

Minnesota

Practice	Acres Allocated	Acres Enrolled on 8/31/06	Estimated Acres Enrolled by 12/31/07	State Plan to Meet Commitment	Acres Released
FWP	100,000	34,118	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CP23	17,000	20,259	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CP23A	36,000	2,992	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CP31	17,000	223	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CP33	500	73	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CP37	8,000	0	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CREP	100,000	83,931	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
CREP II	120,000	617	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

C State Office Action

State Offices shall follow the policy and procedures detailed in this notice.